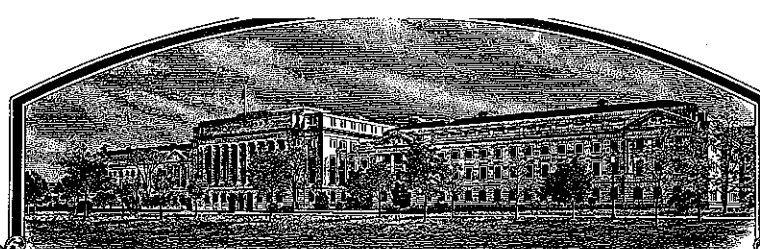


No.

200500344



# THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

*Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.*

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS, FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REFRESHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE FOREGOING PURPOSES, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

TOMATO

'FDR 15-2079'

*In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this seventh day of February, in the year two thousand and eight.*

Attest:

Commissioner  
Plant Variety Protection Office  
Agricultural Marketing Service

Secretary of Agriculture

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE  
(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995.

Application is required in order to determine if a plant variety protection certificate is to be issued (7 U.S.C. 2421). Information is held confidential until certificate is issued (7 U.S.C. 2426).

1. NAME OF OWNER  Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.		2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NAME		3. VARIETY NAME  FDR 15-2079	
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country)  2700 Camino del Sol Oxnard, CA 93030-7967		5. TELEPHONE (include area code)  (805) 647-1572		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY</p> <p>PVPO NUMBER</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">200500344</p> <p>FILING DATE</p> <p style="font-size: 24pt; text-align: center;">Sept. 8, 2005</p> <p>FILING AND EXAMINATION FEES:</p> <p>\$ 3652.00</p> <p>DATE 9/8/2005</p> <p>CERTIFICATION FEE:</p> <p>\$ 768.00</p> <p>DATE 12/17/07</p> </div>	
		6. FAX (include area code)  (805) 918-2545			
7. IF THE OWNER NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.)  Corporation		8. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION  CA			
9. DATE OF INCORPORATION  June 4, 1962		10. NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION. (First person listed will receive all papers)			
Ms. Carol Miller Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc. 37437 State Highway 16 Woodland CA 95695 per request 7-27-2007 LMC 9-12-2007		Marcel Bruins (marcel.bruins@seminis.com) Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc. Physical address: Wageningse Afweg 31 NL-6702 PD Wageningen, The Netherlands (Postal: P.O. Box 97, NL-6700 AB Wageningen The Netherlands) PH: 31 317 468 428; FAX: 31 317 468 431			
11. TELEPHONE (include area code) 530-669-6274		12. FAX (include area code) 530-669-6112		13. E-MAIL Carol.L.Miller@Seminis.com	
14. CROP KIND (Common Name) Tomato		16. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) Solanaceae		18. DOES THE VARIETY CONTAIN ANY TRANSGENES? (OPTIONAL) <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF SO, PLEASE GIVE THE ASSIGNED USDA-APHIS REFERENCE NUMBER FOR THE APPROVED PETITION TO DEREGULATE THE GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANT FOR COMMERCIALIZATION.	
15. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME OF CROP Lycopersicon esculentum		17. IS THE VARIETY A FIRST GENERATION HYBRID? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO		20. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 83(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act) <input type="checkbox"/> YES (If "yes", answer items 21 and 22 below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (If "no", go to item 23)	
19. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow instructions on reverse)				21. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF CLASSES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, WHICH CLASSES? <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED	
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety				22. DOES THE OWNER SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, SPECIFY THE NUMBER 1,2,3, etc. FOR EACH CLASS. <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED (If additional explanation is necessary, please use the space indicated on the reverse.)	
b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness					
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C. Objective Description of Variety					
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety (Optional)					
e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Owner's Ownership					
f. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voucher Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds or, for tuber propagated varieties, verification that tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository)					
g. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filing and Examination Fee (\$3,652), made payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (Mail to the Plant Variety Protection Office)					
23. HAS THE VARIETY (INCLUDING ANY HARVESTED MATERIAL) OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THIS VARIETY BEEN SOLD, DISPOSED OF, TRANSFERRED, OR USED IN THE U. S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, YOU MUST PROVIDE THE DATE OF FIRST SALE, DISPOSITION, TRANSFER, OR USE FOR EACH COUNTRY AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)		24. IS THE VARIETY OR ANY COMPONENT OF THE VARIETY PROTECTED BY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT (PLANT BREEDER'S RIGHT OR PATENT)? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, PLEASE GIVE COUNTRY, DATE OF FILING OR ISSUANCE AND ASSIGNED REFERENCE NUMBER. (Please use space indicated on reverse.)			
25. The owners declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety has been furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate.					
The undersigned owner(s) is(are) the owner of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 42, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act.					
Owner(s) is (are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties.					
SIGNATURE OF OWNER  Sharen Chaffin		SIGNATURE OF OWNER			
NAME (Please print or type) Sharen Chaffin		NAME (Please print or type)			
CAPACITY OR TITLE Specialist		DATE 9-7-05		CAPACITY OR TITLE	
				DATE	

(See reverse for instructions and information collection burden statement)

**GENERAL:** To be effectively filed with the Plant Variety Protection Office (PVPO), **ALL** of the following items must be received in the PVPO: (1) Completed application form signed by the owner; (2) completed exhibits A, B, C, E; (3) for a seed reproduced variety at least 2,500 viable untreated seeds, for a hybrid variety at least 2,500 untreated seeds of each line necessary to reproduce the variety, or for tuber reproduced varieties verification that a viable (*in the sense that it will reproduce an entire plant*) tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository; (4) check drawn on a U.S. bank for \$3,652 (\$432 filing fee and \$3,220 examination fee), payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (See Section 97.6 of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.) Partial applications will be held in the PVPO for not more than 90 days, then returned to the applicant as unfilled. Mail application and other requirements to Plant Variety Protection Office, AMS, USDA, Room 401, NAL Building, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351. Retain one copy for your files. All items on the face of the application are self explanatory unless noted below. Corrections on the application form and exhibits must be initialed and dated. **DO NOT** use masking materials to make corrections. If a certificate is allowed, you will be requested to send a check payable to "Treasurer of the United States" in the amount of \$432 for issuance of the certificate. Certificates will be issued to owner, not licensee or agent.

Plant Variety Protection Office

Telephone: (301) 504-5518

FAX: (301) 504-5291

Homepage: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/science/pvpo/pvpindex.htm>

To avoid conflict with other variety names in use, the applicant must check the appropriate recognized authority and provide evidence that name has been cleared by the appropriate recognized authority before the Certificate of Protection is issued. For example, for agricultural and vegetable crops, contact: Seed Branch, AMS, USDA, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 401 NAL Building, Beltsville, MD 20705. Telephone: (301) 504-5682 <http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/seed.htm>.

## ITEM

- 19a. Give: (1) the genealogy, including public and commercial varieties, lines, or clones used, and the breeding method;  
(2) the details of subsequent stages of selection and multiplication;  
(3) evidence of uniformity and stability; and  
(4) the type and frequency of variants during reproduction and multiplication and state how these variants may be identified
- 19b. Give a summary of the variety's distinctness. Clearly state how this application variety may be distinguished from all other varieties in the same crop. If the new variety is most similar to one variety or a group of related varieties:
- (1) identify these varieties and state all differences objectively;
  - (2) attach statistical data for characters expressed numerically and demonstrate that these are clear differences; and
  - (3) submit, if helpful, seed and plant specimens or photographs (prints) of seed and plant comparisons which clearly indicate distinctness.
- 19c. Exhibit C forms are available from the PVPO Office for most crops; specify crop kind. Fill in Exhibit C (Objective Description of Variety) form as completely as possible to describe your variety.
- 19d. Optional additional characteristics and/or photographs. Describe any additional characteristics that cannot be accurately conveyed in Exhibit C. Use comparative varieties as is necessary to reveal more accurately the characteristics that are difficult to describe, such as plant habit, plant color, disease resistance, etc.
- 19e. Section 52(5) of the Act requires applicants to furnish a statement of the basis of the applicant's ownership. An Exhibit E form is available from the PVPO.
20. If "Yes" is specified (*seed of this variety be sold by variety name only, as a class of certified seed*), the applicant **MAY NOT** reverse this affirmative decision after the variety has been sold and so labeled, the decision published, or the certificate issued. However, if "No" has been specified, the applicant may change the choice. (See Regulations and Rules of Practice, Section 97.103).
23. See Sections 41, 42, and 43 of the Act and Section 97.5 of the regulations for eligibility requirements.
24. See Section 55 of the Act for instructions on claiming the benefit of an earlier filing date.

**22. CONTINUED FROM FRONT** (Please provide a statement as to the limitation and sequence of generations that may be certified.)

**23. CONTINUED FROM FRONT** (Please provide the date of first sale, disposition, transfer, or use for each country and the circumstances, if the variety (including any harvested material) or a hybrid produced from this variety has been sold, disposed of, transferred, or used in the U.S. or other countries.)

**24. CONTINUED FROM FRONT** (Please give the country, date of filing or issuance, and assigned reference number, if the variety or any component of the variety is protected by intellectual property right (Plant Breeder's Right or Patent).)

**NOTES:** It is the responsibility of the applicant/owner to keep the PVPO informed of any changes of address or change of ownership or assignment or owner's representative during the life of the application/certificate. The fees for filing a change of address; owner's representative; ownership or assignment; or any modification of owner's name is specified in Section 97.175 of the regulations. (See Section 101 of the Act, and Sections 97.130, 97.131, 97.175(h) of the Regulations and Rules of Practice.)

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**EXHIBIT A: ORIGIN AND BREEDING HISTORY OF TOMATO, FDR 15-2079****Revised: 25-Jul-07**

- 1992 Hybrid PSR 32192 was made by crossing Fla 7060 X 'Motelle'. The inbred 'Motelle' was a release with southern root knot nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*) resistance but with a reduction in stem scar diameter.
- 1995 F6 32192 was selected following selfing and continuous generational single plant selection for maximum firmness and minimum stem scar diameter. This system is classical pedigree selection. F6 32192 tested fixed for nematode resistance based on a series of live pathological tests done in soil in a greenhouse in Woodland, California. F6 32192 was then crossed with 'Nema R', an inbred with nematode resistance and desirable horticultural traits but a large stem scar.
- 1998 F6 (Nema R X F6 32192) was also selected following selfing and continuous generational single plant selection as described above. This includes fixation of nematode resistance as described above. This line was then crossed with NC 8276 to further increase fruit firmness.
- 1999 The availability of a molecular marker allowed for marker-assisted single plant selection for nematode resistance in segregating populations of NC 8276 X F6 (Nema R X F6 32192). The strategy to obtain an elite inbred with good firmness and a smaller stem scar involved selecting heterozygotes for nematode resistance in the F2 through F7 generations. This strategy was employed to eliminate the lingering genetic drag imposed by the *Lycopersicon peruvianum* introgression for nematode (Mi) resistance.
- 2001 The final breeding selection (F7) of NC 8276 X F6 (Nema R X F6 32192) was made with putative fixation of nematode resistance based on molecular marker results. This inbred exhibited all the desired horticultural traits being pyramided but most importantly good firmness and a small stem scar.
- 2002 The F7 elite inbred was transferred to foundation seed and given the final designation FDR 15-2079. Nematode resistance was confirmed in two independent live pathological tests, both done in soil in a greenhouse in Woodland, California.
- 2005 FDR 15-2079 was used frequently by stockseed as an elite nematode-resistant female parent in hybrid seed production. The level of firmness and small stem scar characteristics as well as all other key agronomic features have been observed and proven stable in subsequent generations.

From observations made during the 2002 and 2005 growing seasons, FDR 15-2079 was found to be uniform and stable within commercially acceptable limits. As is true with other tomato inbred lines, a very small percentage of variants can occur within commercially acceptable limits for many characteristics during the course of repeated multiplication. This is particularly true for monogenic recessive non-lethal mutations. No genetic variants are known to occur and, to date, this inbred line has been observed to be completely uniform and stable for at least three generations past the F7 handoff to foundation seed.

**EXHIBIT B: STATEMENT OF DISTINCTNESS FOR TOMATO, FDR 15-2079**

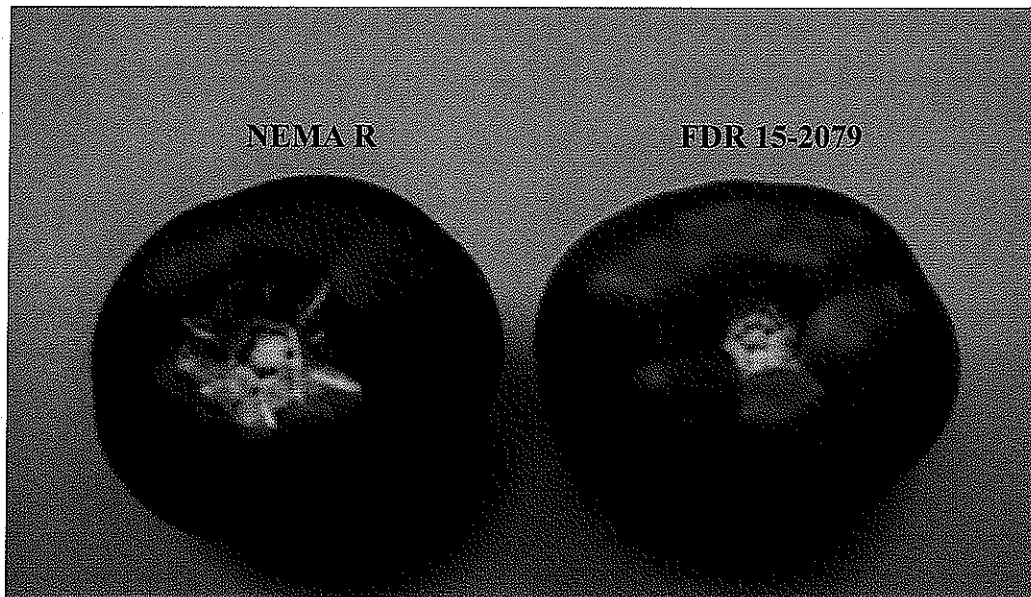
FDR 15-2079 is a unique elite tomato inbred that combines resistance to southern root knot nematode (*M. incognita*) with a good level of fruit firmness and a small stem scar.

To our knowledge, FDR 15-2079 is most similar to 'Nema R' (Seminis Breeder Reference Code: FDR 15-473 \* HP 473). The characteristics which best distinguish FDR 15-2079 from Nema R include stem scar size, typical fruit shape, fruit base color, and thickness of pericarp.

**Stem Scar Size:**

FDR 15-2079 has a smaller stem scar than Nema R (stem scar diameter 10.5 mm versus 19.25 mm, respectively). Many older nematode-resistant inbred lines such as Nema R exhibited soft fruit, a large stem scar, or both.

The stem scar diameter of FDR 15-2079 was compared with Nema R using the same harvested fruit in the same replicated experiment described above. The stem scar was measured in mm diameter. It can be seen that a very significant reduction in stem scar diameter was achieved in the breeding of FDR 15-2079. FDR 15-2079 shows a nearly 50% reduction in stem scar diameter compared with Nema R (see **Photo 1**). The stem scar diameter of Nema R was 19.25 +/- 2.2 compared with 10.5 +/- 1.3 for FDR 15-2079.



**Photo 1:**

*Comparison of the larger stem scar size of Nema R (left) versus the smaller stem scar of FDR 15-2079 (right).*

**Typical Fruit Shape:**

The fruit of FDR 15-2079 are typically globe or circular shaped whereas the fruit of Nema R are slightly flattened (see **Photos 2 and 3**).

**Fruit Base Color:**

The fruit base color (mature-green stage) of FDR 15-2079 are light green (RHS color chart value 142C) whereas the fruit of Nema R are apple green in color (RHS color chart value 134C) (see **Photos 2 and 3**).

**Thickness of Pericarp:**

The fruit of FDR 15-2079 have a pericarp which is much thicker (~10mm) than that of Nema R (~4mm) (see **Photos 2 and 3**).



**Photo 2:**  
*Fruit of FDR 15-2079 which shows typical fruit shape, fruit base color and thickness of pericarp.*



**Photo 3:**  
*Fruit of Nema R (FDR 15-473 \* HP 473) which shows typical fruit shape, fruit base color and thickness of pericarp.*

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EXHIBIT C

OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY  
TOMATO (*Lycopersicon esculentum* Mill.)

NAME OF APPLICANT (S) <i>Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.</i>	TEMPORARY OR EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION	VARIETY NAME <i>FDR 15-2079</i>
ADDRESS (Street and No., or RD No., City, State, Zip Code, and Country) <i>2700 Camino del Sol Oxnard, CA 93030</i>		FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER <i>#200500344</i>

Choose responses for the following characters which best fit your variety. Complete this form as fully as possible for best characterization of the variety. When a single quantitative value is requested (e.g., fruit weight), your answer should be the mean of an adequate-sized, unbiased sample of plants. Use leading zeros when necessary (e.g., 0 9 or 0 8 1, etc.). The applicant variety should be compared with at least one well-known standard check variety of the same type (see list of recommended check varieties below), and grown in the same trials. The characters on this form should be described from plants grown under normal conditions of culture for the variety. Indicated by check whether trial data are from green house \_\_\_ or field \_\_\_ planting. Trials direct-seeded \_\_\_ or transplanted; staked \_\_\_ or unstaked \_\_\_. Give locations and dates of seeding and transplanting here:

COMPARISONS SHOULD BE MADE TO ONE OR MORE CHECK VARIETIES IN THE FOLLOWING LIST. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, ENTER THE NUMBER OF THE CHECK IN BOXES WHERE IDENTITY OF CHECK IS REQUESTED.

1 = Ace 55 VF	7 = Homestead 24	13 = Red Rock	19 = VF 134
2 = Campbell 37	8 = Marglobe	14 = Roma VF	20 = US 28
3 = Chico III	9 = Murietta	15 = Rutgers	21 = VF 145 B 7879
4 = Flora Dada	10 = New Yorker	16 = Sunray	22 = Other (Specify) <i>NEMA R</i>
5 = Florida MH-1	11 = Ohio MR-13	17 = Tropic	
6 = Heinz 1350	12 = Red Cherry Large		

## 1. SEEDLING

*2* Anthocyanin in hypocotyl of 2 - 15 cm seedling: 1 = Absent 2 = Present *1* Habit of 3 - 4 week old seedling: 1 = Normal 2 = Compact

## 2. MATURE PLANT (at maximum vegetative development)

*090* CM Height  
*2* Growth: 1 = Indeterminate 2 = Determinate  
*3* Form: 1 = Lax, open 2 = Normal 3 = Compact 4 = Dwarf 5 = Brachytic  
*2* Size of canopy (compared to others of similar type): 1 = Small 2 = Medium 3 = Large  
*2* Habit: 1 = Sprawling (decumbent) 2 = Semi-erect 3 = Erect ('Dwarf Champion')



## 3. STEM

- 2 Branching: 1 = Sparse ('Brehm's Solid Red', 'Fireball') 2 = Intermediate ('Westover') 3 = Profuse ('UC 82')
- 2 Branching at cotyledonary or first leafy node: 1 = Present 2 = Absent
- 2 No. of nodes between first inflorescence: 1 = 1-4 2 = 4-7 3 = 7-10 4 = 10 or more
- 2 No. of nodes between early (1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup>) inflorescences. 2 No. of nodes between later developing inflorescences.
- 3 Pubescence on younger stems: 1 = Smooth (no long hairs) 2 = Sparsely hairy (scattered long hairs) 3 = Moderately hairy 4 = Densely hairy or wooly

4. LEAF (mature leaf beneath the 3<sup>rd</sup> inflorescence)

- 1 Type: 1 = Tomato 2 = Potato ('Trip-L-Crop') 2 Morphology (choose illustration at the end of this form that is most similar)
- 2 Margins of major leaflets: 1 = Nearly entire 2 = Shallowly toothed or scalloped 3 = Deeply toothed or cut, sps. Toward base
- 2 Marginal rolling or wiltiness: 1 = Absent 2 = Slight 3 = Moderate 4 = Strong
- 3 Onset of leaflet rolling: 1 = Early-season 2 = Mid-season 3 = Late season
- 1 Surface of major leaflets: 1 = Smooth 2 = Rugose (bumpy or veiny)
- 2 Pubescence: 1 = Smooth (no long hairs) 2 = Normal 3 = Hirsute 4 = Wooly

5. INFLORESCENCE (make observations on 3<sup>rd</sup> inflorescence)

- 1 Type: 1 = Simple 2 = Forked (2 major axes) 3 = Compound (much branched)
- 05 Number of flowers in inflorescence. Average
- 1 Leafy or "running" inflorescences: 1 = Absent 2 = Occasional 3 = Frequent

## 6. FLOWER

- 1 Calyx: 1 = Normal, lobes awl-shaped 2 = Macrocalyx, lobes large, leaflike 3 = Fleshy
- 2 Calyx-lobes: 1 = Shorter the corolla 2 = Approx. equalling corolla 3 = Distinctly longer than corolla
- 1 Corolla color: 1 = Yellow 2 = Old gold 3 = White or tan
- 2 Style pubescence: 1 = Absent 2 = Sparse 3 = Dense
- 1 Anthers: 1 = All fused into tube 2 = Separating into 2 or more groups at anthesis
- 1 Fasciation (1<sup>st</sup> flower of 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> inflorescence): 1 = Absent 2 = Occasionally present 3 = Frequently present

7. FRUIT (3<sup>rd</sup> fruit of 3<sup>rd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> cluster) For the first 5 characters below, match your variety with the most similar illustration on pages at the end of this form.

- 3 Typical fruit shape 1 Shape of transverse section 2 Shape of stem end
- 2 Shape of blossom end 1 Shape of pistil scar

- 1 Abscission layer: 1 = Present (pedicellate) 2 = Absent (jointless)
- 1 Point of detachment of fruit at harvest: 1 = At pedicel joint 2 = At calyx attachment

10 MM length of pedicel (from joint to calyx attachment)

076 MM length of mature fruit (stem axis)

060 MM length, check var. no.

22

078 MM diameter of fruit at widest point

080 MM diameter, check var. no.

22

220 G weight of mature fruit

220 G weight, check var. no.

22

3 No. of locules: 1 = Two 2 = Three and four 3 = Five or more

1 Fruit surface: 1 = Smooth 2 = Slightly rough 3 = Moderately rough or ribbed

1 Fruit base color (mature-green stage):

1 = Light green ('Lanai', 'VF 145-F5') 2 = Light gray-green 3 = Apple or medium green ('Heinz 1439 VF') 4 = Yellow green 5 = Dark green

1 Fruit pattern (mature-green stage): 1 = Uniform green 2 = Green-shouldered 3 = Radial stripes on sides of fruit



## 7. FRUIT (continued)

N/A Shoulder color if different from base: 1 = Dark green 2 = Grey green 3 = Yellow green

5 Fruit color, full-ripe: 1 = White 2 = Yellow 3 = Orange 4 = Pink 5 = Red 6 = Brownish 7 = Greenish 8 = Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

3 Flesh color, full-ripe: 1 = Yellow 2 = Pink 3 = Red/Crimson 4 = Orange 5 = Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

1 Flesh color: 1 = Uniform 2 = With lighter and darker areas in walls

1 Locular gel color of table-ripe fruit: 1 = Green 2 = Yellow 3 = Red

2 Ripening: 1 = Blossom-to-stem end 2 = Uniform

2 Ripening: 1 = Inside out 2 = Uniformly 3 = Outside in

2 Stem scar size: 1 = Small ('Roma') 2 = Medium ('Rutgers') 3 = Large

1 Core: 1 = Coreless (absent or smaller than 6x6 MM) 2 = Present

2 Epidermis color: 1 = Colorless 2 = Yellow

1 Epidermis: 1 = Normal 2 = Easy-peel

2 Epidermis texture: 1 = Tender 2 = Average 3 = Tough

10 mm Thickness of pericarp 4 mm Thickness of pericarp. Check var. no. 22 (NEMA R)

2 Anthocyanin in hypocotyl of 2 – 15 mc seedling: 1 = Absent 2 = Present 1 Habit of 3 – 4 week old seedling: 1 = Normal 2 = Compact

## 8. RESISTANCE TO FRUIT DISORDER

0 = Not Tested 1 = Highly Resistant 2 = Resistant Few Symptoms 3 = Resistance Few Symptom in Number and Size 4 = Moderately Resistance  
5 = Intermedia Susceptible 6 = Moderate Susceptible 7 = Susceptible 9 = Highly Susceptible

NOTE If claim of novelty is based wholly or in substantial part upon resistance, trial data should be appended. These should specify the method of testing, the reaction of the applicant variety, and reaction of well-known check varieties grown in the trial (identified by name).

<u>0</u> Blossom end rot	<u>2</u> Catface	<u>2</u> Fruit pox	<u>2</u> Zippering
<u>2</u> Blotchy ripening	<u>2</u> Cracking, concentric	<u>2</u> Gold fleck	Other (specify) <u>N/A</u>
<u>2</u> Bursting	<u>2</u> Cracking, radial	<u>2</u> Graywall	

## 9. DISEASE AND PEST REACTION

0 = Not Tested 1 = Highly Resistant 2 = Resistant Few Symptoms 3 = Resistance Few Lesions in Number and Size 4 = Moderately Resistance  
5 = Intermedia Susceptible 6 = Moderate Susceptible 7 = Susceptible 9 = Highly Susceptible

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## Viral Diseases:

0 Cucumber mosaic 7 Tobacco mosaic, Race 0 7 Tobacco mosaic, Race 2<sup>2</sup>  
0 Curly top 7 Tobacco mosaic, Race 1 7 Tomato spotted wilt  
0 Potato-Y virus 7 Tobacco mosaic, Race 2 7 Tomato yellows  
2 Blotchy ripening 2 Cracking, concentric 2 Gold fleck  
 \_\_\_ Other virus (specify) N/A

## Bacterial Diseases:

7 Bacterial canker (*Corynebacterium michiganense*) 0 Bacterial spot (*Xanthomonas vesicatorum*)  
0 Bacterial soft rot (*Erwinia carotovora*) 7 Bacterial wilt (*Pseudomonas solanacearum*)  
7 Bacterial speck (*Pseudomonas tomato*) \_\_\_ Other bacterial disease (specify) N/A

## Fungal Diseases:

0 Anthracnose (*Colletotrichum* spp.) 7 Leaf mold, Race 1 (*Cladosporium fulvum*)  
7 Brown root rot or corky root (*Pyrenochaeta lycopersici*) 7 Leaf mold, Race 2 (*Cladosporium fulvum*)  
7 Collar rot or stem canker (*Alternaria solani*) 7 Leaf mold, Race 3 (*Cladosporium fulvum*)  
7 Early blight defoliation (*Alternaria solani*) \_\_\_ Leaf mold, other races (specify) N/A  
2 Fusarium wilt, Race 1 (*F. oxysporum f. lycopersici*) 0 Nailhead spot (*Alternaria tomato*)  
2 Fusarium wilt, Race 2 (*F. oxysporum f. lycopersici*) 0 Septoria leafspot (*S. lycopersici*)  
7 Fusarium wilt, Race 3 (*F. oxysporum f. lycopersici*) 7 Target leafspot (*Corynespora casicola*)  
2 Gray leaf spot (*Stemphylium* spp.) 2 Verticillium wilt, Race 1 (*V. albo-atrum*)  
7 Late blight, Race 0 (*Phytophthora infestans*) 7 Verticillium wilt Race 2  
7 Late blight, Race 1 \_\_\_ Other fungal disease (specify) N/A

## Insects and Pests:

0 Colorado potato beetle (*Leptinotarsa decemlineata*) 0 Tomato hornworm (*Manduca quinquemaculata*)  
2 Southern root knot nematode (*Meloidogyne incognita*) 0 Tomato fruitworm (*Heliothis zea*)  
0 Spider mites (*Tetranychus* spp.) 7 Whitefly (*Trialeurodes vaporariorum*)  
0 Sugar beet army worm (*Spodoptera exigua*) \_\_\_ Other (specify) N/A  
0 Tobacco flea beetle (*Epitrix hirtipennis*)

## Pollutants:

0 Ozone 0 Sulfur dioxide \_\_\_ Other (specify) N/A

- 10. CHEMISTRY AND COMPOSITION OF FULL-RIPE FRUITS** Suggested test methods may be found in "Tomato Products", 5<sup>th</sup> ed., National Canners Assn. Bull. 27-L. Please specify test methods or give a reference to methods used. Fill in table below with values for the new variety and for at least one well-known check variety of similar type grown in the same trial. Specify names or numbers of check varieties.

	Submitted Variety	Check Variety <u>NEMAR</u>	Check Variety	Check Variety
pH	<u>4.2</u>	<u>4.6</u>		
Titrateable acidity, as % citric	<u>5.9</u>	<u>6.9</u>		
Total solids (dry matter, seeds and skin removed)	<u>5.5</u>	<u>5.8</u>		
Soluble solids as °Brix	<u>4.8</u>	<u>5.3</u>		

- 11. PHENOLOGY** Express length of developmental stages either as calendar days or as heat units (growing degree days), in degrees Celsius. If heat units are used, indicate the base temperature used in their calculation hear        °C. See paper by Warnock under "References" for method. Give comparative data for at least one check variety; identify checks by name or by number from table on page 1.

	Application Variety	Check Variety <u>NEMAR</u>	Check Variety	Check Variety
Seeding to 50% flow (1 open on 50% of plants)	<u>70</u>	<u>79</u>		
Seed to once over harvest (if applicable)	<u>115</u>	<u>128</u>		

3 Fruiting season: 1 = Long ('Marglobe') 2 = Medium ('Westover') 3 = Short, concentrated ('VF 145') 4 = Very concentrated ('UC 82')

2 Relative maturity in areas tested: 1 = Early 2 = Medium early 3 = Medium 4 = Medium late 5 = Late 6 = Variable  
(If relative maturity is known to differ by location or environment, please explain on separate sheet)

- 12. ADAPTATION** If more than one category applies, list all in rank order.

1 Culture: 1 = Field 2 = Greenhouse

0002 Principle use(s): 1 = Home garden 2 = Fresh market 3 = Whole-pack canning 4 = Concentrated products

5 = Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

1 Machine harvest: 1 = Not adapted 2 = Adapted

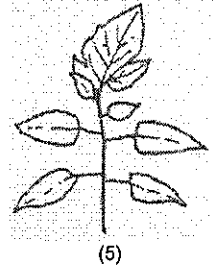
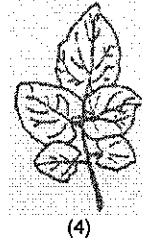
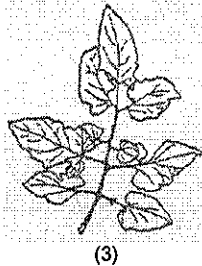
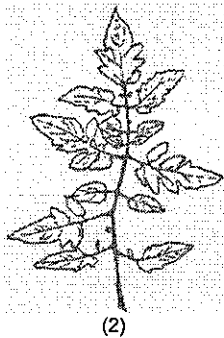
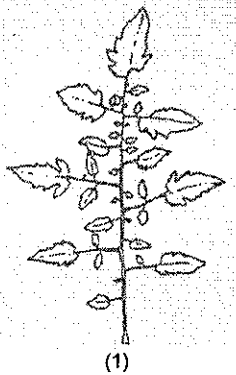
ALL Regions to which adaptation has been demonstrated:

- (1-11) 1 = Northeast 2 = Mid Atlantic 3 = Southeast 4 = Florida 5 = Great Plains  
6 = South-central 7 = Intermountain West 8 = Northwest 9 = California: Sacramento and Upper San Joaquin Valley  
10 = California: Coastal Areas 11 = California: Southern San Joaquin Valley & deserts

## ILLUSTRATIONS OF TOMATO LEAF AND FRUIT CHARACTERISTICS

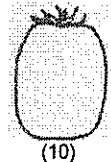
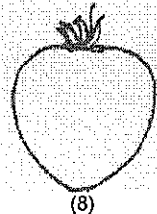
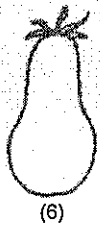
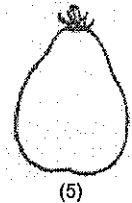
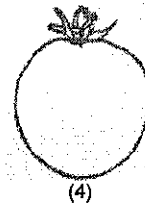
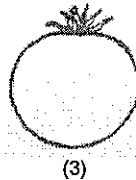
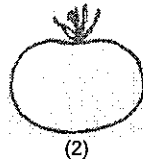
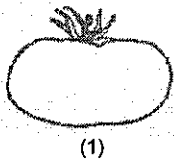
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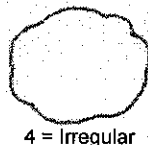
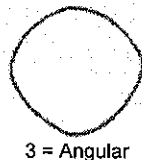
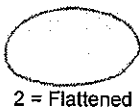
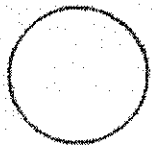


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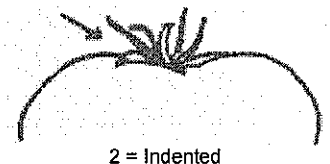
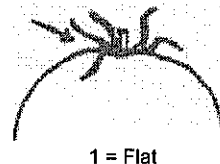
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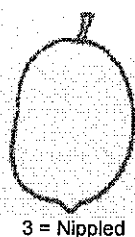
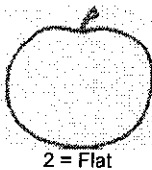
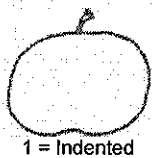
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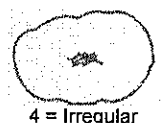
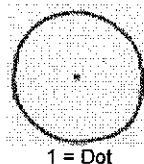
Shape of stem end:



Shape of blossom end:



Shape of pistil scar:



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**EXHIBIT E**  
**STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF OWNERSHIP**

1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S)  Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.	2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER	3. VARIETY NAME  FDR 15-2079
4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP, and Country)  2700 Camino del Sol Oxnard, CA 93030-7967	5. TELEPHONE (Include area code)  (805) 647-1572	6. FAX (Include area code)  (805) 918-2545
7. PVPO NUMBER		200500344

8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in the appropriate block. If no, please explain.

☒ YES ☐ NO

9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or a U.S. based company? If no, give name of country.

☒ YES ☐ NO

10. Is the applicant the original owner?

☒ YES☐ NOIf no, please answer one of the following: 12-13-2007

a. If the original rights to variety were owned by individual(s), is (are) the original owner(s) a U.S. National(s)?

☐ YES☐ NO

If no, give name of country

b. If the original rights to variety were owned by a company(ies), is (are) the original owner(s) a U.S. based company?

☐ YES☐ NO

If no, give name of country

11. Additional explanation on ownership (Trace ownership from original breeder to current owner. Use the reverse for extra space if needed):

The variety named in this application was developed by the Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc., employee (breeder) named below. Unless otherwise stated, all rights to the varieties developed by Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc. are assigned to the Company by agreement or by operation of law. No rights to such invention, discovery or development are retained by the employee(s).

Employee (Breeder): Doug Heath

Site Location: Woodland, CA

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1. If the rights to the variety are owned by the original breeder, that person must be a U.S. national, national of a UPOV member country, or national of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
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3. If the applicant is an owner who is not the original owner, both the original owner and the applicant must meet one of the above criteria.

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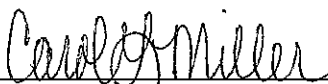
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EXHIBIT F  
DECLARATION REGARDING DEPOSIT

NAME OF OWNER (S) Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc.	ADDRESS (Street and No. or RD No., City, State, and Zip Code and Country) 2700 Camino del Sol Oxnard, CA 93030	TEMPORARY OR EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION  VARIETY NAME FDR 15-2079
NAME OF OWNER REPRESENTATIVE (S) Carol L. Miller	ADDRESS (Street and No. or RD No., City, State, and Zip Code and Country) <del>2700 Camino del Sol</del> 37437 State Highway 16 <del>Oxnard, CA 93030</del> Woodland, CA 95695	FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY PVPO NUMBER #200500344

I do hereby declare that during the life of the certificate a viable sample of propagating material of the subject variety will be deposited, and replenished as needed periodically, in a public repository in the United States in accordance with the regulations established by the Plant Variety Protection Office.

  
Signature

20-Jul-07  
Date